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As we begin the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixteen, and reach forth a hand of friendly greeting and new Year good wishes to our large family, we desire to call special attention to some small changes in the arrangement of the items on the magazine covers, which might escape attention. The committee in charge of Woman's Work has "viewed with alarm" the growing list of officers of the Boards on the inside of our back cover—not that the lists were too large but that the page was too small! It had reached the point where no closeness and minuteness of type would permit any more names to be printed. Yet new divisions of work are constantly becoming necessary and new workers are always ready to give time and thought to them. By a readjustment of columns on the third cover-page it has been made possible to gain a little space and a little clearer type and also, at the request of the Committee, the Boards have endeavored to include in their lists only the names really necessary for convenience in carrying on their work. New York has made the most radical progress, in omitting her list of foreign secretaries. It was decided, after careful consideration, that it was not necessary to print these names each month, as they were not needed by correspondents in this country and each missionary abroad was acquainted with her own correspondent. Only the name is mentioned therefore of Mrs. L. L. Tribus, the Dean of the New York foreign correspondents, who now number eight. Any who need further details may find the complete list of each Board's officers in its printed Annual Report. On the back page of the magazine will be found the names of the members of Central Committee, the clasp which binds together the six Women's Boards and their entire constituencies, making of the six regiments one solid brigade.

Those women of the New York Board who were not delegates to that unusual Chicago Conference still got a great deal of its inspiration after it was all over. At a special gathering in the home of one of the managers those who went and had come back full to overflowing of enthusiasm and inspiration shared their rich possessions with those who stayed at home. Mrs. Wm. E. Waters outlined the plan and scope of the Conference and its proceedings; Mrs. W. P. Schell sketched what it meant to those engaged in work for young people; Mrs. Harvey C. Olin gave a glimpse of the point of view of the home mission representative; Mrs. R. C. Morse drew a graphic picture of the *personnel* of the Conference, with humorous allusion to the provincialism of the New York habit of mind; Mrs. James M. Webb, who is a manager of both the Home and the Foreign Boards, gave the impressions of a "jointed lady," and Mrs. Halsey L. Wood added many illuminating details. Each one, in solo and chorus, joined in the pæan of praise of Chicago hospitality, its comprehensive forethought, its unselfish considerateness, which went so far as to impel those in charge to forsake their own homes for the ten days and live at the hotel with the delegates.

Second in interest only to the visit of Dr. Speer and his party in China was that of the representatives of the China Medical Board, constituted by the Rockefeller Foundation. Three distinguished physicians were chosen by the Board to investigate closely the medical, surgical and nursing work done by missionaries in China. Of the three, the Rev. Dr. Buttrick, a Baptist clergyman, was the trusted adviser of the Foundation and the Direc-

tor in Chief of the China Medical Board; Dr. Welch, a physician of the highest standing and international reputation, of the faculty of Johns Hopkins Medical College and a Presbyterian elder in Baltimore; and Dr. Simon Flexner, a Hebrew, whose commanding ability has had the widest recognition, and whose broad and sympathetic views have enabled him to comprehend the situation from the missionary as well as from the professional standpoint. By the recommendation of these gentlemen the Foundation will make possible a substantial advance in the status of medical work in China. The Medical College and Hospital at Peking has been under the joint control of the American, Presbyterian and Methodist Boards and the London Missionary Society. The entire plant has been purchased by the China Medical Board, and will be under the management of a board of thirteen trustees, of whom seven represent missionary interests and were elected by the co-operating Boards in this country. Among these seven are Mr. John R. Mott and the Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown. The Medical Board's plans for the future include additional equipment and force, not only in Peking but at other points where medical and surgical work is going on. At Paotingfu one additional doctor, two nurses and one residence have been granted to our Board, and the same at Shuntefu. The Foundation would pay the salaries of a force of American doctors and nurses double the present size if candidates of adequate professional qualifications are found.

THE Rev. Dr. W. A. Shedd writes that it is hardly accurate to say that Dr. Anna Khanum, of whom the Rev. Mr. Allen wrote in December WOMAN'S WORK, is either "the first or the only native woman physician in Persia. Dr. Hannah Jacob has practiced in Tabriz and Urumia for a good many years and has done excellent service professionally and also by her Christian life. She was with us in Urumia during our troubles and was devoted in helping care for the sick, especially the poor women in childbirth. She is the daughter of one of the old preachers in Urumia and was educated in New York."

THE Assembly's Board has decided that while affairs in Persia remain in such an unsettled condition it is not advisable to send more single women missionaries to that country. There will, however, be one class excepted from that rule—the trained nurse! She can not he held back while there is such sore need for her help to both physicians and patients.

As is too often the case, there are now men willing to make selfish gain out of humanity's greatest need. Solicitors, usually foreign, have been trying to impose upon Christian benevolence by collecting money for the sufferers in the Orient which never reaches them. The Persian War Relief Fund, handled by our Board, has now united with the Armenian Atrocities Committee and the Syria-Palestine Relief Committee, the combined organization being now The American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, the Rev. Dr. J. L. Barton of the American Board, Chairman. Through this responsible body givers may be sure of their help reaching the object intended. For rebuilding damaged or destroyed property of our own missions any contributions should still be sent to our Board. All other gifts for war sufferers in Persia, the Caucasus and Turkey should be made payable to the order of and sent to Charles R. Crane, Treasurer, 70 Fifth Ave., New York City.

SHI MA LEI does not sound like a familiar name to our American ears. But when we use the translation, *Dr. Mary Stone*, there are few who would not recognize a well-known name. This remarkable woman was recently elected president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of China and superintendent of the anti-opium department of the World Temperance Union. The first woman doctor in her native land, she has not only done medical and surgical work commanding the admiration of the most experienced professional men, but has led the consistent life of an earnest, active, progressive Christian woman.

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Passed Through the Gate in 1915

In January, Miss Jessie Scott, South America
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In March, Mrs. D. E. Crabb, China
In April, Mrs. E. W. McDowell, Persia
In May, Mrs. W. A. Shedd, Persia
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In May, Rev. Dr. W. H. R. Thackwell, India
In June, Rev. L. B. Tedford, India
In August, Rev. Dr. P. D. Bergen, China
In September, Mrs. Edwin C. Howe, China
In October, Miss Grace Newton, China

"Now while they were thus drawing towards the Gate, behold, a company of the heavenly host came out to meet them; to whom it was said by the other two Shining Ones: These are the men that have loved our Lord when they were in the world, and that have left all for His holy name; and He hath sent us to fetch them, and we have brought them thus far on their desired journey, that they may go in and look their Redeemer in the face with joy. Then the heavenly host gave a great shout, saying; Blessed are they that are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!"

Pilgrim's Progress

Remembering One "Lost Awhile"

[Grace Newton died at Paotingfu on October twelfth. No words in her memory could be more fitting than those which come from one who was close to her in her life and work.—Editor.]

A great sorrow has come to me personally, and to the whole North China Mission. Were it not that we are so absolutely certain that our Heavenly Father doeth all things well, and that no mistake is possible, we might wonder why He took our beloved Grace Newton from us. As it is, the one verse which above all others has been with me is, "As for God, His way is perfect." Not only good, but perfect, the very best. . . . To within half an hour of death she was conscious and refused to feel alarmed about herself. When I came back I told her a little of her home people and the only sign of weakness she gave was when she said, "Just tell me a little; I do not seem to be able to follow you very long." She died in harness. Thirty-six hours a patient! Although we miss her sorely we rejoice in her well-earned rest from her earthly labors, and in the joy that is now hers. Her pupils are heartbroken, and yet they, too, are comforted in thinking of her present bliss.

Never have I known any one who could so influence people as Miss Newton. She had power with men and could make character. As I stood at the open grave and saw thirty or so of her graduate schoolgirls with their fine, strong faces, I thought of what those lives must mean to

China's future. My anxiety about a girl was over, could I once see her a scholar in Miss Newton's school. It generally meant that the girl herself and her whole family were to be influenced for good. Miss Newton's judgment was uncommonly good. How often when nonplussed over some matter we would go to her, and her good, sound, common sense generally saw the right view to take! She kept up her interest in the affairs of the wide world, and how she did enjoy a good talk with some one of an equally keen intellect! Then her saving sense of humor often rescued a situation from becoming, if not tragical, at least uncomfortable. . . . Again and again she was asked to give some of her time to literary work, but she could not leave her school long enough for it, and I doubt if any work will be more lasting or more beneficial in its results than what she has left behind.

By Miss Newton's special request she was interred in the British Legation Cemetery in Peking. Nine years previous to the very day she died the British Minister, Sir John Jordan, promised that she should be buried there, although residing outside Peking.

(Miss) Annie H. Gowans.

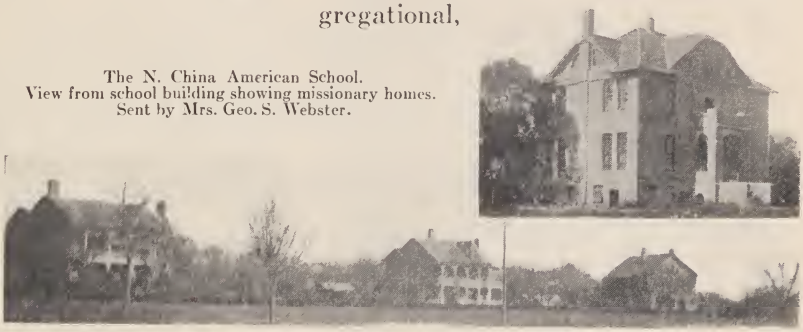
PAOTINGFU.

The North China American School

ONE of the greatest trials in the lives of our missionaries has been the separation of children from their parents for the purpose of giving them a suitable preparatory education.

During our visit to China in the year 1912 one of the topics of interest was the need of a school for the children of missionaries in North China. The cities of Tsingtau and T'ungchou were friendly rivals for the location. Subsequent events have proved the wisdom of choosing the latter city. T'ungchou is only twelve miles east of Peking, with good railroad connections, making it convenient to the capital and affording the comforts of a suburban city.

The Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Mission Boards unite in the founding and maintenance of the school. Its facilities are free to the children of missionaries representing these three Boards in the provinces of Chili, Shantung and Shansi. Other American and European children may be admitted upon the payment of regular tuition fees. Children under eight years of age are not admitted. The primary studies are to be pursued at home under the guidance of the school as to proper courses and text-books. It is planned to teach the upper grammar and high school grades as soon as practicable and to include manual training for the boys and domestic science for the girls.



The N. China American School.
View from school building showing missionary homes.
Sent by Mrs. Geo. S. Webster.

Some of the school children.

The school building was completed in September, 1915. It is located in the beautiful American Board compound, with abundant facilities for outdoor sports. It has been planned with a view to enlargement when needed and has good light and drainage. One of the missionaries living in the compound thus describes it: "It is a compact little building, well planned, with every inch of space utilized. The fireproof concrete stairway in the center of the building will add much to the safety of the children. The rooms are splendidly lighted, with windows on all sides. Nothing is being done in the way of tinting or decoration now, as the children are to work that all out themselves, making their own stencils."

The school is under the charge of Miss Flora Beard as matron and principal. Her sister, Miss Mary L. Beard, is associated with her. Both ladies have been successful teachers in this country and in China and are admirably fitted for this important work. They are assisted also, both in teaching and administration, by the missionaries in the compound.

One of these writes: "Tuesday, the 21st of September, was an exciting day, when a host of children and fond mammas and heaps of baggage came down on the noon train from Peking. For two days very little was done in the studying line for there was so much else to be done, but on Thursday we had regular recitations. Counting the four T'ungchou children there are eighteen enrolled and others are expected."

This auspicious beginning of the North China American School promises much benefit to the missionaries by relieving in large measure the strain caused by sending their children away during the years when they most need parental oversight.

(*Mrs. George S.*) *Emma E. Webster.*

NEW YORK.

"With One Accord in One Place"

A NOTABLE gathering was held in the Chicago Beach Hotel, Chicago, from November tenth to eighteenth, by representatives of the Woman's Boards of Home and Foreign Missions, the Woman's Department of the Freedmen's Board, and delegates from the Synodical Societies, who assembled to consider matters of common interest at the home base. The hotel was an ideal place for the Conference; every courtesy was offered by the management and employes, a large, well-ventilated room looking out on the lake was always at the service of the delegates, as well as numerous committee rooms, and afternoon tea was served every day. Broad piazzas and a private pier gave opportunity for fresh air to even the busiest, while Jackson Park was within walking distance. The comfort and informality of meeting in the house reduced fatigue to a minimum. It also made possible the valuable social feature and economized time. Many a committee met at each meal; board officers dined with all their synodical representatives, and often every person at a table came from a different state.

One hundred and four women, representing the 160,000 Presbyterian missionary women, gave themselves to the task before them. There were no inspirational addresses but inspiration came from united prayer. The daily program was: 9, Morning prayers; 9.30, Business; 12.15, Prayer; 2, Business; 4.30, Afternoon tea; 9.30, Evening prayers. While nothing was scheduled for the evenings, much committee work was done then and the Board members usually met to consider the docket for the next day. Every Presbyterian woman should thank God for the two leaders, Mrs. Bennett, president of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, and Mrs. Berry, chairman of Central Committee of the Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions. To their broad vision is due this Conference; because of their wisdom, tact, skill, and consecration, as they presided at alternate sessions, the business was dispatched without the waste of a moment, but with plenty of time for full discussion. One is tempted to allude to many individuals but must refrain, making mention, however, of the valuable services of Mrs.

Powell and Mrs. King of the Northwest Board who acted, the one as recording secretary, the other as our intermediary with the hotel management, so that all the wheels moved without friction.

A nation-wide view of the home base was secured; the hearts of Eastern women were stirred by the difficulties of those in the West, as they were reminded that it frequently requires two days for the latter to reach the place for a synodical meeting. When it was heard that the brave Utah women give an average of four dollars *per capita* in addition to their work for the Mormons, the Conference stopped its work and gave thanks. Western women saw the problems of the East from a new viewpoint, and those of Boards and synodical societies were studied together with mutual sympathy.

The Board members and executive officers had two sessions before the synodical delegates arrived; and two after they left, in order to begin to crystallize the results of the Conference. Although this was merely a consulting body there will be untold results from it, and those which cannot be tabulated may be more important than the definite Board actions that will surely come in the next months because of this gathering. A spirit of love and good-will, a desire to look at a matter from another's point of view, a willingness to yield in non-essentials, dominated the Conference. It was recognized that for purposes of efficiency the Boards are organized separately but because of their common object of making Christ known to all the world, and because they work with much the same constituency, methods should be as much alike as possible.

All missionary organizations for children under fourteen are classified as Light Bearers and Little Light Bearers; there is one title for secretaries in charge of the children; one Manual for the leaders; one magazine for the children. It was gratifying to hear the expressions of appreciation of *Over Sea and Land* and the earnest desire that it might continue and improve each year. There may follow a similar arrangement as to titles of the secretaries in charge of the various branches of Young People's work, Westminster Guild, Christian Endeavor Societies, etc. Much was said about "Standards of Excellence" for young people, auxiliaries, presbyterial and synodical societies, until someone said it only remained to set one for the Boards. At evening prayers the thought was brought out that all should strive to attain to the "measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." No other standard will do!

A number of joint publications are already being issued, if there is need of more they will doubtless appear. Contingent fund, basis of membership in local auxiliaries, the same dates for sending out instructions, the possibility of arranging synodical and presbyterial meetings so that speakers can attend them with economy of time and money, joint societies, the dates of closing the books, were all considered with free interchange of opinion. Plans regarding all these subjects and many others were inaugurated. The presence of the field secretaries was of great advantage as they could speak from personal experience on many points. It is hoped that soon the report blanks will be unified so that differences between those sent out by the Home and Foreign Boards will be reduced to a minimum. Missionary education, its secretaries, its enrollment cards, its books, its ideals, received full attention. The Home and Foreign Yearbooks were frequently mentioned and are given due emphasis in the Standards of Excellence. Amazement was expressed that so many auxiliary officers could attempt to work without these valuable helps. Again and again when such a sentiment was heard or a vote was taken, the presiding officer pressed home upon those present their responsibility to carry the message back to the constituency. The experience in one presbyterial society of the value of the Extension Department when faithfully presented, stirred all who heard and sent many home with the resolve to attempt the same thing.

Christian Endeavor, Westminster Guild, Student Work were to the fore. Westminster Guild, although not ten

years old, is now an accepted and valued factor in the work for young women, but Student Work is newer. All listened with interest as Mrs. Waid, the chairman of the Joint Committee in charge, told of its double aim: "*a*—To identify the student with the interests of her church and mission Boards during her student days. *b*.—To relate the alumna or non-graduate to the missionary activities of her church." The responsibility for "*a*" rests largely on the two young student field secretaries, Miss Laughlin, the daughter of a foreign missionary, and Miss Hoff, a home missionary for two years before assuming this work last September. They were present and spoke of their experiences with college girls eager to learn what work their Church has for them. But upon whom does the responsibility for "*b*" lie? The student secretaries and Board secretaries co-operate in writing to a girl when she leaves college and try to suggest work she can do. Again the home-thrust was given and everyone there was reminded that a girl just home from college is more apt to work where she is told she is needed than if she is let alone. Is there a girl in your church lately back from college not yet at work? Hunt her up, ask if she knows these two secretaries and enlist her before an alert outside organization secures her.

The opening and closing devotional services gave just the needed messages. The first was a call to personal obedience to Christ and a working out of His plans; the last was a call to reconsecration of all our powers to Him and to respond gladly to the trust He has placed in us by going forward in His strength.

Every delegate left with a feeling of gratitude that she had been chosen to attend and an earnest desire to do her part more faithfully. All were more loyal to their own Boards and more appreciative of the others because of the days together.

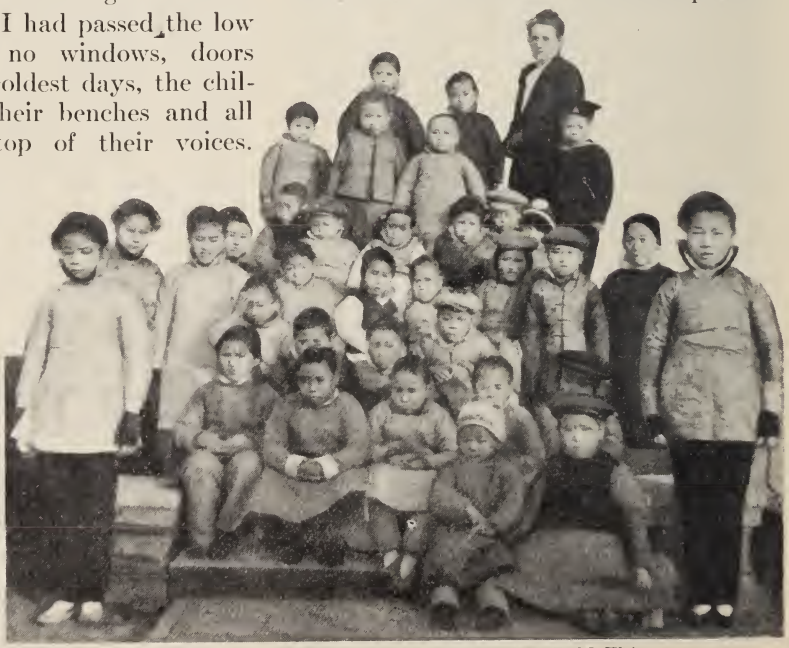
(*Miss*) *Margaret E. Hodge.*

PHILADELPHIA.

A China Party

WE were going to have a China party, a real China party, nothing imitation about this, it was to be the genuine article! Several times I had passed the low Chinese building, no windows, doors flung wide on the coldest days, the children swaying on their benches and all shouting at the top of their voices. Chinese can have no nerves! Their schools and wheelbarrows are proof positive of this.

On two Sundays also I had shivered at the baby organ and heard the teacher tell the lesson story, the smallest tots attentive for a full half hour. Cats strolled in and out and dogs, and curious passers-by looked in at the door; perfectly oblivious to any interruptions, the children sat silent and interested. A mental picture



Mrs. Hayes and her Sunday-school. Taken by Mrs. R. M. White.

of an American primary class listening to a thirty-minute sermon flashed before me!

And the Golden Text! Apparently without any fixed order or plan, first one would bob up and rattle off the strange sounds as fast as tongue could clatter, then another and another. A tiny lisping lad almost made me "lose face." A Chinese lisp is delightful!

And now these little folks were to come to Mama Hayes for a party! To her they owed the delight of school and Sunday-school and they loved her for it. I asked the hour of the party. "Oh, they were invited for three, but that means they'll be here at one!"

Sure enough, not long after one came a solemn procession, two and two, filing in through the compound gate—a long procession, for they all came. No, there was one regret. Here it is:

"dear Mrs Hayes

"you call me come to your home but I cannot come because my friend is call me go to other place so please you excuse me next time you call me come I must come thank you very much May God bless you. Senchu."

Into the parlor and around the room they marched, solemn and silent. It is very hard to sit in great chairs that won't stand still, one slides about; and it is still harder to get across that soft fur on the floor without putting one's foot on it, for it was surely not meant to step on. And the clock with the tiny bird that sang out at you when the door flew wide! These were strange and awesome things, so the little minds must have pondered.

Then, after much difficulty in grouping, I caught this picture. If only the soft, rich silk of the girls' jackets could show! The trousers do, beautifully, and the foreign sailor suit of the small boy in the top row. How happy he was in that suit and how absolutely uncomfortable!

Out on the beautiful lawn, hunting for peanuts I had hidden, they became more human and played as only children can play, with the abandon of childhood, the same the world over. There were races and tugs of war, drop-the-handkerchief, blind man's buff, Ruth and Jacob, and many more. Then the clock again, at five, and now there was much laughter and the chatter of happy voices.

Soon the little procession homeward-bound and a sweet "*Sien-z-ia*" (thank you) as a precious picture postal was put in each waiting hand.

And that was a *real* party!

(*Mrs. Ralph W.*) *Blanche H. White.*

Soochow.

Ginling College, Nanking, China

Last September, when everyone in America was interested in the plan for Vassar's fiftieth anniversary, over in distant China a wonderful beginning was being made for a similar semi-centennial in 1966, when Ginling College will look back to her first year with gratitude to those earnest, devoted Christians who had the vision to start this tremendously needed work for the women of China.

In November, 1913, five Mission Boards, Baptist, Christian, Methodist Episcopal, Southern Methodist, and Presbyterian, whose splendid schools had until then been preparing girls for advanced work, which they could only secure in Peking, hundreds of miles away, in England, Europe or America, united in pledging themselves to start a Union College for Women in central China which will draw from a territory as large as the United States east of the Mississippi river.

One of the greatest needs at present is for consecrated Christian women teachers trained in China, as now there are openings, not only in the mission schools, but also the opportunity of providing Christian teachers for the Government schools, and the talented women who come to this country to prepare themselves as educators and leaders in China have to meet great expense and come up against so many customs which compel readjustments of ideas and ideals that they are often unfitted to do their best work when they return to their own land.

In February, 1914, a Constitution was adopted, and the College, which up to that time had been spoken of as "The

Union College for Women in the Yangtze Valley," was given the name "Ginling College." Ginling is the ancient classical name for Nanking and is greatly revered by the Chinese. Mrs. Laurence Thurston was elected president by the Board of Control, which includes many of the leading women educators of Central China, representing fifteen high schools for girls, all of which are looking to Ginling College to give their graduates the opportunity for advanced study.

The details of organization have gone steadily on; the faculty have been chosen by the co-operating Boards; the curriculum has been carefully worked out; the problem of housing most providentially solved. After long search for the right location, during which there were several possibilities and several disappointments, the reasons for delay were made clear by the wonderful discovery of the very best place in all Nanking, the large official residence of one of the Li Hung Chang family, which has been secured for five years at a very moderate rental and transformed into an ideal College.

Taller figure, Mrs. Laurence Thurston; shorter, Miss Goucher; seated figure, Miss Frederica Mead. Given by Mrs. Thos. Denny

Mrs. Thurston says: "The place is northeast of the old Examination Halls near the southeast jog in the city wall. We are to be quite near the old Imperial City. It is going to give us a chance to experiment on a new locality and we are putting off buying land until we see how this experiment works. We shall be much more in the city and of the city, with opportunities to do Social Settlement work, cultivating a neighborhood in which foreigners have not lived. It is the best part of Nanking, in the residence section and near one of the big Government Normal schools for girls." In addition to all these advantages, the fact that a Chinese background and atmosphere have been secured by the use of a beautiful official residence makes a strong appeal to the Chinese themselves, and gives dignity in their eyes that would be somewhat lacking at first if the College were opening in a modern or foreign building.

It took over two years to make all these preparations for the starting of this new Christian College, and finally, on September fifteenth, one of its most essential divisions arrived — the students. There were eleven of them, fine, earnest young women, which seems a remarkable record for a newly-awakened China when we remember that forty years ago Smith College opened with only fourteen freshmen. These eleven girls, several Chinese teachers and four of the foreign faculty members, Mrs. Thurston, Miss Nourse, Miss Goucher and Miss Mead, live at the College, and some extracts from a vivid and interesting letter from one of the latter, which she has written to inform her friends "on-things-Ginlingly," will give up-to-date news of their happy household!

"It is unusual for those from abroad to live in Chinese houses in this part of China, but all who have come and seen our adaptation of the courts and rooms to the need of the College, with chapel, classrooms, laboratories, gymnasium, offices, dormitories, and faculty residence, say we will never want to live in any other way. Though we speak with no experience of a cold winter, we think it would be hard to go back to rooms as poorly aired as foreign buildings. . . . There are five courts in each half of the house, and seven rooms, five of which face

south, about each court. . . . Our evidences of being a college are: these spacious, well-adapted buildings, with an out-door gymnasium in a beautiful garden where there are dwarf fruit trees, flowering shrubs, climbing roses and wistaria, a willow-and-iris-margined pool, a goldfish pond and a pile of stones of volcanic formation which hint of rare possibilities for a rock garden; a beginning of a library and of chemical laboratory equipment; a president, Mrs. Laurence Thurston, Holyoke, and seven members of faculty, representing Goucher and Smith Colleges; Universities of Chicago and of Illinois, from which Miss Lee, a returned Chinese student, took her M. A. degree; Philadelphia Women's Medical, and the old-fashioned examination system, of which our Chinese classics teacher is the champion, *and* a student body of eleven Freshmen, from five high schools, nine cities, four provinces and distances all the way up to three hundred miles from Nanking, as the bird flies. . . . Last evening the faculty gave the first reception to the class of 1919. The experience of "going down the line," at the head of which stood the college president, was evidently as momentous for each of these eleven girls as it was for any little freshman in an American college, whose president holds office for as many hundreds of students, and whose alumnæ are more than a thousand instead of—none! The regular work is well started. The days hold a full schedule for students and faculty too, for we still study Chinese, or rather have really begun to study Chinese, and so need to put in a goodly number of hours a week with our personal teachers. And for us there are also the interruptions of many guests—such a pleasant way of bringing about for the college that for which we long, a circle of hosts of friends. People have been gracious in looking us up, and every one that comes seems to fall in love with the place."

An incident at Silver Bay this summer which was most interesting and encourging to all the friends of this new work was the enthusiastic discussion of Ginling College by twenty-five of the Chinese girls attending the Student Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association. After one of them had announced the expected opening this fall, she told them that they, of all people, should be interested in this college, and she was made chairman of a committee to collect money toward its library from Chinese women in this country, and the fund was started then and there. Another evidence of the wisdom of this forward movement for woman's education was a letter of greeting, received just before the college opened, from the Chinese women students in America, expressing their belief in China's great need of Christianity and their deep interest, and saying in part, "We shall be very glad to encourage our friends and relatives to use this rare opportunity for the education of their girls."

President Thurston has expressed some of the high ideals of the college when she writes, "It is founded for the furtherance of the cause of Christ in China, for the advance in education necessary to provide trained leadership; for the education of Christian women for Christian service; and for the promotion of higher education of women under Christian influence."

This article cannot more fitly close than by quoting the appeal of still another of the faculty for the interest and prayers of those on whom they are depending, as they do this work which so many hope and believe will have a great part in helping China to work out its great problems. "Ross, in *The Changing Chinese*, speaks of China's women as her 'greatest undeveloped resource!' I do hope that you will think about Ginling College in the light of its possibilities for world usefulness and see whether it strikes you as something you want to help. And I hope you will talk about it. And most of all I hope you will make it one of the things that you hold on your heart in prayer, that Ginling College may meet its opportunity and fulfil its mission in bringing to an ever widening circle in China the Christian ideal of fully developed womanhood."

(*Mrs. Frederick G.*) *Marie Louise Mead.*

Plainfield, N. J.

This year has been a memorable one for two reasons; first, we have completed the first permanent buildings of the Changsha Station, a dormitory and ladies' residence; secondly, the opening of the high school department in our Union School. Another notable event was the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Lingle in November, on their return from furlough. They are valuable and experienced missionaries and have been of great help in the station. Our church is in a healthy condition, growing slowly but steadily. Our membership is small but we have a goodly number of regular inquirers, and a very large audience at all of our services, so large that we are frequently compelled to close the doors. This fact proclaims our need of a new church building. I wish you could see the primary Sunday-school for street children which Mrs. Lingle conducts every Sunday afternoon. From 150 to 200 gather every week, with sometimes as many as sixty mothers present. They are divided into classes and taught by girls from the school. This seed sowing is sure to produce fruit in the future and meanwhile is excellent training for the girls.

Changsha. (*Miss*) *Annie R. Morton.*

Union Medical College Hospital, Tsinan, Shantung

Union Medical School and Hospital at Tsinan, Shantung

In Shantung we have had a union of the American Presbyterian, English, Baptist and Anglican Missions in educational work for more than ten years. Other missions, both in Shantung and nearby provinces are considering the proposal to join this Union and to send men to teach in the three departments of the Shantung Christian University. They are now sending students only.

Of the three departments the Arts College with its fine, large, new plant and equipment is being provided by our own Presbyterian Church. The theological and medical departments are the property of the English Baptist Mission, and all three are to be located in Tsinan.

There in 1909 the Medical School building was formally opened. And there in January, 1914, its first class of four fully qualified young Christian physicians was graduated, after one year of study in branches preparatory to medicine and five years of strictly medical and surgical studies. And, by the way, they represented four different missions, Anglican, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian. In June three more students, who on account of illness or other reasons failed to pass their first examinations, received the much-coveted diplomas. Next January six more should graduate from the second class. There are over fifty students now in the five classes.

The faculty of the Medical School is composed of Dr. James Boyd Neal, Dr. William M. Schultz and Dr. Charles F. Johnson of our Presbyterian Mission; Dr. Harold Balme and Dr. William Fleming, representing the English Baptist Church, and two Chinese doctors, graduates of the school, Drs. Wu and Yang.

Though it was 1909 before a school building was realized, since the year 1886 Dr. Neal and other Shantung physicians had been teaching classes of students in their different stations in addition to their regular medical work and under very difficult conditions. When at last a school home was provided, with an equipment which, though imperfect, is so much better than that of former years, we felt that the hopes of many years were nearing fulfilment. There, in 1914, the Hospital was begun, and on September twenty-

seventh, 1915, it was opened by the military Governor. One who was present writes:

"The Hospital opening was, we think, a great success. The building and equipment are really excellent and the out-patient building is fine. Many officials came and the whole thing was fine. On the five mornings following we had receptions for business firms, schools, Mohammedans, ladies and for church members. The reception was held in the waiting-room of the dispensary and then, led by the military Governor, we all marched over to the front door of the hospital, which was opened by the military Governor with a silver key. After parading over the entire building we assembled in one of the wards, had addresses, then a photograph taken and it was all over."

Out-patient dispensary.
Sent by Mrs. James B. Neal.

The hospital has one hundred beds for patients.

(*Mrs. Jas. B.*) *Elizabeth S. Neal.*

[It is interesting to hear that both Dr. Speer's party and the scientists who are investigating China's medical conditions for the Rockefeller Institute, have visited and highly approved of the new hospital. An address at the opening exercises from Dr. Speer was keenly anticipated, but an unfortunate delay in train connections compelled him to disappoint the audience.—EDITOR.]

A Spring Opening

JUNE ELEVENTH was the eventful day of the opening of our new Douw Hospital with its Francis A. Holt ward. Both foreign and Chinese friends had been invited to the service, which was held at nine in the morning in our central court. We chose this early hour for two reasons. First, that we might avail ourselves of the shade of the east wing, and thus save expense, and second, that the dedicatory service might precede rather than follow the opening of the building for inspection. The east end of the central veranda served beautifully for the speakers' platform and the west was filled with guests. I might say I had a third motive for the early hour of service. It would limit the number of guests, and our seating capacity was limited. We had a beautiful service, and a most quiet and orderly company. Such an affair is always a signal to all the children of the neighborhood to congregate in the street outside, if not allowed inside, and bedlam often reigns. I provided against this by promising the little ones that if they would stay at home and be good we would take them through the building later in the day, and, wonder of wonders, I never heard a sound from them during the service!

Our program was as follows: Doxology; Scripture reading, by Pastor Li; address, by Elder Kno; song, by the nurses; short history, by Dr. Wherry; dedicatory prayer, by Dr. Fenn; benediction, by Mr. Cunningham. Dr. Wherry gave a brief sketch of Mrs. Holt's life-work for the Chinese in China and America, and her part in founding the North Pacific Board; then of the Board's anniversary offering for a ward to be named for her. He also spoke of gifts from others for the erection and furnishing of the building.

At the close of the service guests inspected the building. We had a steady stream till six P. M., when we closed

the gate. Nurses and helpful friends conducted the guests through the building, following a prearranged route. Tea was served in the dining-room. The people seemed very much impressed with the provisions we are making for sick women and children. Some remarked, "No matter how grave one's malady, the mere sight of such a place would restore health." Altogether it was a very successful day and we were an extremely weary company at its close. We received gifts of potted plants, Chinese furniture, beautiful *cloisonné* vases from the best shop in the city, other useful gifts and some money.

Opening of Douw Hospital. Sent by Dr. Leonard.

We did not move our dispensary furniture and hospital patients till after the opening. Yesterday we held our first clinic in the new building. The moving of in-patients and nurses is going on now while I am down at the North Mission where my freshmen are writing their anatomy examinations.

Of course I have many new problems confronting me in establishing work in a foreign building with modern conveniences, which every individual patient will have to be taught how to use. The administrative work is different from what my nurses are accustomed to in our old-style quarters and I sigh for a well-qualified nurse from home to take over the superintendency. Being an M.D. and not an R.N., there are numberless things I do not know about hospital management, and we just have to feel our way. I do hope the Board is going to be able to send us out an A No. 1 nurse this fall.

We held our Medical College commencement on June first when three young women received their diplomas. We had excellent music and fine addresses, easily heard and understood, which is much more than can be said for many of those delivered by Chinese. I dare to make the above remarks because the Dean made no speech this time, simply presented the diplomas! The year's work closes with the examination I am now conducting.

We have some fine girls in the school. There are twenty-six since we graduated our seniors, and they have been amazingly little trouble so far as discipline is concerned. Of course it keeps me busy teaching them and finding other teachers for them.

Mrs. Blaikie, M.D., an independent Scotch lady who

Doctors and helpers. The two ladies in white in front are: the taller, Dr. Leonard, the shorter, Dr. Bash.

has been giving us most valuable aid, goes home this summer. I hope she may be back within a year. I do wish we might have more doctors for carrying on the educational work. It is most important that we train native physicians, for, even did we desire to meet the need entirely from abroad, we never could do so. Our equipment is far from complete. I shall have to ask the Mission to approve an estimate for sterilizing apparatus this summer. That is our greatest need after the nurse.

I am most grateful for having been brought so peacefully through this year of building. The contractor and I still have our first altercation to look forward to, and I trust that, when the last account is in, our relations may be as pleasant as now. He is also building our new dormitory for Truth Hall.

We thank all those who have had a part in making our new building possible and whose prayers have secured for us strength and patience and peace. May the past fit us each and all for better endeavor.

PEKING. (*Dr.*) *Eliza E. Leonard.*

THE MISSIONARY'S PRAYER.

"Oft when the word is on me to deliver
Lifts the illusion and the truth lies bare,
Desert or throng, the city or the river
Melt in a lucid paradise of air.

"Only like souls I see the folk thereunder
Bound who should conquer, slaves who should be kings,—
Hearing their one hope with an empty wonder;
Sadly contented with a show of things.

"Then with a rush the intolerable craving
Shivers throughout me like a trumpet call.
Oh, to save these! to perish for their saving,
Die for their life, be offered for them all."

Quoted by Miss Mary A. Leaman in *Woman's Work in the Far East.*

SECRETARY SPEER says: "Nowhere else in the world, unless it be in the tenement district of lower East Side New York, does one get such an impression of the monstrous mass of human life as he gets in Canton, China. . . The tens of thousands of the boat population, who are born and live and die in their boat homes on the river . . . the ceaseless movement and innumerable multitude in the narrow, crowded, steaming, odorous streets of this monstrous city!" He describes the educational work at Fati, across the river from the main city, where boys are taught from primary grade up to the school for evangelists, and where he saw forty fine, strong men preparing for the ministry; the True Light Seminary for girls; the School for the Blind; the only refuge for the Insane in all China; the David Gregg Hospital for women and children; Hackett Medical College for women; the Turner Training School for Nurses and the other centers of light and healing and adds: "We have met travelers who have visited Canton and have seen absolutely nothing of all this work. . . . who do not know how the yeast of new principles has sunk down deep into the great mass of Chinese thought and feeling and, though the mass looks still the same, the ferment of the new life is there."

In the Heart of the City

Beginning his education. Taken by Mrs. L. S. B. Hadley in the Kindergarten at Peking.

LAST year the mission started a new scheme that was to open up several mission stations, and even the New York Board was rather sceptical! They said it could not be done, besides not being fair to the givers in the United States to put their money into work not overseen by a foreigner. Finally they consented to let us try one place, as an experiment, and gave the same amount of money that would go into one foreign residence (we have ten such residences here at Weihsien besides all the school buildings, hospitals, equipment, etc.). They also consented to pay the salary of one man to run it—a seventh of a foreigner's salary—and the salary of one evangelist—still less. The city opened was Ankin.

In the heart of the city, on one of the big thoroughfares, we found an enormous pawnshop for sale. It consists of six large assembly rooms, two residences and many one and two-room buildings. Mr. Lin was put in charge with the evangelist, Mr. Deng. The place was opened in March as an institutional church. We went down the first of June. I wish I could describe what I saw. I can tell this incident and that incident but it is impossible to clothe them in the spirit of the place. It is like trying to describe the Y. W. C. A. conference at Silver Bay. The girls at college would wonder why the girls that went were so wildly enthusiastic, but they could never understand it till they went themselves. That is just the way with this place, you would have to see yourself to understand what is going on, and not only see it but stay there awhile and enter into the spirit of the work.

Mr. Lin moved his girls' school into the new place and now has thirty-five normal pupils. He has a beginners' school for girls, about twenty of them. That is on one side of the grounds; on the other he has a boys' school of eighty pupils. When he started the school most of the Government pupils wanted to come to him. The officials have "had it in" for him ever since his first convert in the Government school! This only made the feeling worse, although I believe he did persuade the boys to go back. There are four teachers, besides himself and his wife and two evangelists, and a janitor who spends most of his time preaching. Mrs. Lin manages the girls' school, kitchen, sleeping apartments, etc., and does some teaching, while Mr. Lin has general oversight of the whole place, teaches, preaches and still finds time for quiet talks with the boys. It is perfectly wonderful the amount of work he can put into one day and be just as smiling and sweet-tempered at the end as at the beginning.

There is a room, open on the street, where tea is served at all hours of the day and an evangelist is always present. The street is a busy one and the room cool and inviting, so that people continually drop in. We could hear singing and talking going on at all hours of the day and even up till ten at night. Inside of the big gate is a men's guest-room. The people who have heard of Christianity and have come to ask questions and find out more go into that room, where they can have quiet talks with Mr. Lin or Mr. Deng. On market day the place is crowded with people who drop in to rest and sing and drink tea. Those are the days when the evangelists do their best work. Then the woman's guest-room is also filled, with a woman evangelist preaching all day. On other days she goes around through the city preaching in certain homes. Many an evening I have seen Mr. Lin, after a boiling hot day of toil, seated out in the courtyard surrounded by boys earnestly talking. He has a wonderfully expressive voice and although all I could hear was the rise and fall of his tones I knew he was exhorting them and leading them on to higher thoughts. A Chinese seldom talks about anything but food and clothes, so Mr. Lin is doing his best to make them think of worthwhile things. Then I would go back into the girls' school and there would

be Mrs. Lin surrounded by girls and as earnestly talking, usually with her own around her knees and the baby on her lap. She has eight children, the oldest of whom is fifteen, all perfectly adorable! Some of the time Mr. Lin led the boys' evening prayers and some of the time the girls'. He gave such practical talks on how to influence the people of their home villages, on the quiet hour of prayer, etc. He knows their characteristics, their manner of life and method of thinking so much better than we foreigners and so can strike home better than we can.

WEIHSIEN. *(Miss) Marjorie Rankin.*

Women assembling for the Eddy meetings at Nanking. Sent by Mrs. Thurston.

COMMUNION SERVICES

I WANT to tell you about Communion Sunday. It was a fitting climax to a series of wonderful services for me. I had been teaching in a Quaker community where the ordinances are not observed, and it so happened that for nearly a year I had not been present at a communion service. Then, last April, at the Northwest Board Conference in St. Paul, we had the service in the House of Hope Church, where we each felt that we had received the seal of the Spirit on our work.

My next communion came in the Board Assembly Room in New York, at the closing of the Conference. Mr. Scott had just read the roll of honor of the missionaries who had died on the field last year, and then Dr. Alexander gave us the communion. I can't tell how I felt then—I only prayed for strength to meet whatever should come to me, and to be worthy in some little way of the fellowship of Christ's suffering.

Then, just before I left home, my own church held a special communion service for me. Mrs. Loretta Van Hook, who went out from that same church years ago, was there and we both spoke, and then we had the communion service, in which my own dear father officiated as elder, and all my family and near relatives were present. In many ways it was my real farewell.

The Sunday we were in Hong Kong was the communion at the Union Church and although only a very few partook, the service was a very real one. But last Sunday at Kachek gave me my real vision of the work, and of the fellowship of Christ's followers, whether American, Chinese or any other race. For three or four days they came in from the country chapels, men, women, children, walking through the rain and mud. One man walked thirty-nine miles, and one of the elders brought his wife and two-year-old boy and two-months old girl who was to be baptized, twenty-four miles.

Sunday was a cloudy, rainy day. The chapel was crowded, and people were sitting all around the steps and the veranda of the hospital. Mrs. Kelly was at the organ, and Dr. Kelly led the singing with his cornet. Mr. Tappan preached and the people were so reverent and interested that an American audience would have been put to shame.

In the afternoon came the sacrament. Only the communicants were seated in the chapel, and the elders took their places. I wish you could see those three elders—Li, an older man than the others, and of great spiritual power, they tell me; Bang, a scholar and a preacher, and Ngon, just a young man with the most spiritual face and eyes I ever saw. Dr. Walter Lowry of the China Council said this man could hold a street chapel audience better than any preacher he ever heard, and I can well believe it.

The first part of the service was the baptism of three babies. Elder Ngon's face when his baby girl was baptized was wonderful. And when Mr. Tappan came to Robert Byers, the last one, he used the English words. There were seventeen men and women baptized next on confession of faith, and then the roll of the members was called. Then we ate and drank together, brothers and sisters through the blood of Christ, and received new strength for our various tasks, whatever they might be, and fresh inspiration for service. Whatever may come to disappoint and trouble me, I have my vision, and I can thank God truly that He has permitted me to put my life into His cause out here.

(Miss) Margaret M. Moninger.

KIUNGCHOW, Hainan.

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE

ARRIVALS:

At New York, Oct. —.—Mrs. H. D. Griswold, from India. Address, 43 Union St., Cortland, N. Y.
At New York, Oct. 19.—Rev and Mrs. W. G. Pitkin, from India. Address, 111 E. Sugar St., Mount Vernon, O.
At Seattle, Oct. 22.—Dr. Emily Marston, from India. Address, Almota, Wash.
At San Francisco, Oct. 28.—Mrs. Wm. Harris, from N. Siam. Address, 27 Chambers St., Princeton, N. J.
At San Francisco, Nov. 8.—Mrs. Henry M. Bruen, from Chosen. Address, Belvidere, N. J.
At San Francisco, Nov.—.—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Howard Campbell of N. Siam. Address, Wooster, O.

DEPARTURES:

From San Francisco, Nov. 6.—Miss Elise Eddy, to join the Central China, and Miss Pearl M. Adams, to join the North India Mission.
From New York, Nov. 18.—Rev. Dr. S. G. Wilson, returning to W. Persia, Miss Faye Fisher, to join the E. Persia Mission.
From San Francisco, Nov. 20.—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. C. N. Magill, returning to the Philippine Mission.
From New York, Nov. 24.—Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Brown, Rev. W. E. Vanderbilt, returning to Mexico.
From New York, Nov. 27.—Mrs. W. H. Lester, returning to Chile.
From New York, Dec. 1.—Miss Dora Wick, to join the Colombia Mission.
From New York, Dec. 6.—Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Weber, returning to Africa.

RESIGNATIONS:

Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Hemphill of the N. India Mission. Appointed 1909.
Mrs. Douglass N. Forman, *née* Amy March of Syria. Appointed 1913.
Rev. and Mrs. Eugene K. De Witt of the E. Persia Mission. Appointed 1911.
Dr. Anne F. Humphreys of the Central China Mission. Appointed 1913.

DEATHS:

At Tokyo, Oct. 29.—Rev. Dr. David Thompson of the Japan Mission. Appointed 1862.
At Tokyo, Nov. 21.—Rev. T. M. MacNair of the Japan Mission. Appointed 1883.
At ——, Nov. 25.—Of typhus fever, Dr. Ira Harris of the Syria Mission. Appointed 1883.

EVER since the days of Eve people have wanted things that are a delight to the eye. One of the trials of preaching to the heathen is to find that those who gather about you are often oblivious to your words and that the intense gaze often denotes no interest whatever in the message but a screwing up of courage to ask if your tooth is made of gold! So it is a blessed relief to find that by using a stereopticon Christ and the Gospel can be presented so that the heathen crowds will stand for hours, even on a cold night, gazing at the pictures in silence, listening carefully to hear them explained. Rich and poor, young and old, wise and foolish, all stand up close as they can get to the sheet. As the climax to a trip among the villages, the pictures were presented in a county seat. We called on the official in the afternoon and he gladly offered every assistance, from having a vacant lot cleared up to turning out his soldiers to keep order in the crowd of five thousand people. After it was over, an old lady hobbling along the street was heard to remark: "I never understood before, but it is all true. You could see it all with your own eyes."

TSINANFU, China. (*Rev.*) *W. W. Johnston.*

STUDENTS write: "The piano she is the king of flowers. No other flower as it. Have you a piano in your garden?" "He told me he hoped I would be his good friend and would I send my statue to him?" "Benjamin Franklin invented the lightning and Isaac Newton the gravitation. This was because under the apple tree he very think—why it drops? Ah, this it is because of the earth's gas!"

I wonder if our efforts in Chinese afford as much amusement! *A China Missionary.*

THE foolish things common in South America and in the earlier years here, such as jeers on the street at Protestants and stones on the chapel roof, are still met with in Tacloban. But all this is wearing away. One of the very priests who still publicly warns his people against the Protestant doctrine is privately the Protestant doctor's patient.

Those who believe that the Roman Catholic Church is the most efficient and best administered organization in the world will be disillusioned here, if they are not nearer home. The policy of the church in these islands has been one long series of blunders, and the conditions which prevail in most of the Roman Catholic parishes here are such as would not be tolerated for a day at home, either by that church or by any of our evangelical bodies. Tacloban is supposed to be a strong Catholic center, but its great church, unroofed by a typhoon several years ago, is still only a shameful and dilapidated shell. A few thousand dollars would restore it. Part of the influence which the church has inherited it still possesses, but only part, and it is displaying in the community not one adaptation to new conditions nor one out-putting of vital energy.

Here, as everywhere, we have seen the clean and efficient work which the American Government has done for the benefit of the Philippine Islands—good roads kept in excellent order, efficient schools crowded to the doors by the young life of the islands, courts with honest and capable judges, revenues faithfully handled and wisely spent.

Robert E. Speer, in the Philippines.

DURING the terrible flood there were 538 insane people in the hospital, and can you imagine the conditions? Two to three hundred had to be moved at night in small boats but not a life was lost. We were crowded terribly. I had thirty-one refugees in our house. The serious tax was food and fuel. The hospital started a kitchen on a roof. Our baby girl had the measles followed by high fever for a month. Arthur fell in the water and was nearly drowned, but we all came through very well; baby is slowly improving and Dr. Ross is gaining in weight and strength after his long and terrible illness.

CANTON. (*Mrs. Robert M.*) *Nellie Ross.*

NEWS FROM THE FRONT

SYRIA

Mrs. Geo. A. Ford writes from Ain Hulweh, Sidon, August 26th: I know you will rejoice with us that the locusts are past. Their depredations were terrible. They left nothing behind them in their path. Fortunately, however, in some places by great watchfulness and labor, the figs and a few grapes were saved. Also where there was water enough, the people were able to plant some vegetables, and these are now coming on. Eggplant, tomatoes, squash, and cucumbers; there are a few of these, but so dear that the poorer people cannot have them. The suffering is as great as before. Usually the vegetables form the regular food of all the people during the summer, so you can see how hard it is for everyone to be obliged to live on such grains as they can get. . . . Of ourselves: we are here in our home at Ain Hulweh. The summer is rapidly drawing to a close, and so far we have not seen the time when we could leave our work. Dr. Ford has a large force of men working, building and making roads. This gives employment to a number of people, men, women, boys, and girls, and is keeping many families in bread. He cannot leave the supervision of that to anyone. The Americans are too busy, and the Syrians are very willing, but do not sufficiently grasp our ideas to enable them to oversee the work without a leader.

Owing to great care and plenty of water, our garden has come up again after the locusts' visit. We planted some vegetables, and are now enjoying them. We saved our fig trees and peach trees and for some time have had more than enough figs for our own table. The peaches are just beginning, we had three this morning for breakfast. All this was accomplished by great labor and much money, but the money we felt was keeping the people from starving, and we were more than ready to use it.

We have been holding special services in three of the neighboring villages, Salheyeh, Maghdusheh, Miye wa Miye. It was thought that the present time, when there was so much trouble, was specially appropriate for evangelistic work. The meetings in the first place were well attended and appreciated by Catholics as well as Protestants. In the second place it was much better, larger numbers, and greater interest. Now we are closing the two weeks in Miye wa Miye with remarkable results as to numbers and interest. The Spirit has been with the meetings and the leaders and has given us a blessing. We are praying that the results may be far-reaching and lasting. The meetings in the first two places were in charge of one of our theological graduates, one of the older men, and Muallim Massaad Daoud, whom we consider our most earnest evangelistic worker. Dr. Ford has helped in each place.

The station is planning to open the schools as usual. Out in the Merj Ayoun the people say they will send their boys but not the girls, if there is not enough money for both. One family, where there are two girls and one boy, the boy will come and the girls must wait, though one girl is in an advanced class and should have the advantages of this year. . . . Everything is very dear. Kerosene has been selling at eighteen dollars for a box of two tins or eight gallons. Retail price three dollars a gallon.

Thanks to our Board a road has been open for the sending of money to the people here from their friends in America. As soon as the people heard that such arrangements had been made they began to come, bringing their letters. We have already sent some five hundred or more and to-day there were ready another hundred. We ask of each one the price of the stamp, and they are very ready to give it, though sometimes one will say, please put the stamp on for I have not that money. You will understand better what this means when I tell you that every letter has to be read carefully to see if they have written anything the censor could take exception to. Then a paper has to be put in the letter with the directions, and the stamp put on. This work has been put in charge of Muallimi Almaz Hourani, the head Syrian teacher in the Sidon Seminary. We are longing to know what is going on in the great world. We have no reliable news, only rumors.

CHINA

Miss Grace Herriott writes from Hengchow: Just within two or three years language schools have been established in various parts of China where the missionaries study the language the first year instead of going to their many separate stations. Our school in Nanking—six hours' train ride from Shanghai—is the largest one, with over forty young people who have just come to the field and you may know the association and fellowship is wonderfully fine. These schools, with foreign and Chinese teachers, carefully plan work and up-to-date methods, and are doing much to remove the dread attached to the study of Chinese. After nineteen weeks of study I could read and write over six hundred Chinese characters and carry on a fairly respectable conversation within the limits of my vocabulary. One of our latest assignments has been the learning of short Bible stories and giving them as stories to the children in the chapels to which we go each Sunday to play the organ. You can't guess what a joy it is really to be able to tell a tiny bit of the "old, old story" to these people in their own tongue. May I lay a special burden of prayer on you for our thirty Chinese teachers, not one of whom is a professing Christian, though two or three are secret Christians? They are Confucianists, scholars and gentlemen. We see evidences of God's Spirit working in their hearts. Several are reading the Bible regularly and there is a readiness ever to talk upon spiritual subjects. We thank God that He can use the testimony of our lives—even though as beginners—and the few faltering words He gives us the opportunity to speak.

I have received many nice cards to be given to the Chinese. In their names as well as my own I want to thank the senders most heartily. These cards have brought joy and a message to many a heart. Our native preachers give the cards to children who learn Bible verses. In one place there are good children's meetings of from sixty to over eighty in attendance. They are eager to learn to read, sing and memorize verses, and we hope will learn to pray from their hearts. They are nearly all from heathen homes.

Tsinan. *Emma S. Boehne.*

HOME DEPARTMENT

UNITED STUDY OF MISSIONS

The King's Highway.

CHAPTER V.

AIM: To show the secrets of rapid growth in the Korean Church; to describe the federated and union activities of Korean missions, and to discuss the reflex benefits on the home churches.

Locate Korea, calling it CHOSEN, its present official name adopted by our missionaries and the Board of Foreign Missions.

State why the country's geographical situation is peculiarly important; give relative situations of larger powers.

Describe first beginnings of Presbyterian work there; how a medical missionary was used by God in founding a church.

Sketch growth of the church; specify and describe four methods which largely account for this progress.

Outline the wonderful Bible-study plans, institutes, classes for Sunday-school teachers, for personal workers, etc.

Give history of accusation and trial of Christians for alleged conspiracy.

Formulate the advantages and the disadvantages of Japanese occupation.

Describe practical Christian unity in Chosen.

Read *Weakness Made Strong*, account of heroism of missionary women, first printed in WOMAN'S WORK, quoted in *Life and Light*.

Use for reference *Wonderful Story of Christian Missions in Korea*, published by the Assembly's Board. Read *Pak-Si-Mi-Do* (a true story), published by the Women's Boards.

Read aloud the last paragraph of the chapter, *The Summons*.

THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT SAIL BACK

THE Rev. Huie Kin, a Chinese Christian pastor in New York, was reading a daily paper. Seeing that a distinguished countryman of his was to be in New York over Sunday he telephoned him at his hotel inviting him to attend the Sunday service at his church.

The invitation was promptly accepted. After the service was over the guest said to the pastor:

"When I was a boy in China I was acquainted with some Christian people and I thought highly of Christianity. I had never identified myself with it, but, when I was appointed to America I decided I wanted to throw in my lot with Christian people there, and made up my mind that I would accept the first invitation which was given me to attend a Christian service."

There was a pause which was scarcely perceptible, then he continued:

"This is the first invitation I have had!"

The man who spoke was Wu Ting Fang.

This was not his first but his last Sunday in America. Before another Sunday had dawned this man, who had been Minister from China to Christian America, was on his way home.

Who can say what would have been the results if the invitation to go to a Christian service had been given him on his first instead of his last Sunday in America? A great opportunity came to us—an opportunity not only of saving a soul but also of sending back to China a missionary of a nation-wide influence, and as we were busy here and there, our opportunity passed, as a ship that passes in the night.

THE Hon. Ando Taro, when he was appointed Consul to Honolulu, was such a hard drinker that he had *sake* (Japanese whiskey) sent to him by the barrel from Japan. Through the interest and influence of American missionaries during his consulate, he went back to Japan an earnest Christian and the greatest and most influential temperance worker his country has ever known.

The man who was the most active agitator of Confucianism as the state religion of China is a Ph.D. of Columbia University. "What were the Christian people of New York doing during the years he was a student?" comes the cry from Mr. Lobenstine, the Secretary for China of the Continuation Committee of the Edinburgh Conference.

Miss Tsuda was one of the first group of girls sent by the Japanese Government to study in America. She was taken into a Christian home and later studied at Bryn Mawr.

She went back to Japan a consecrated Christian. Through her influence her father became a Christian and a pastor. She established a school which is the most advanced school for women in Japan.

Its influence is decidedly Christian and great beyond human power to measure.

Every year there sail back from America to their native lands 250,000 men, women and children who have given us the opportunity, for a time, of reaching their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and sending them back as the most powerful missionaries it is possible to send out.—*From leaflet published by the Woman's Missionary Conference of the Lutheran Church.*

WAYS OF WORKING

FOR the blackboard or a poster:

GO RIGHT ON WORKING | SPELLS GROW

Colorado News Letter.

AN Iowa worker whose auxiliary ranks high among the eight largest givers in that state, told of a simple means used to add fifty dollars a year to their offerings, namely, the collection and sale of a car load of waste paper. Besides their monthly missionary meetings in the church, they have half-way

between times, in various homes, a social hour with missionary readings, to which ladies bring their own sewing. As a means of enlisting the younger women this has proved a success.

"A Westminster Guild Chapter in Pennsylvania 'mothers' a Circle of the Guild. The older girls take the greatest interest in their younger sisters, helping them with suggestions and advice. Would not this be a good plan for the young and older women in church auxiliaries? There are always small girls, and boys too, who can be trained in missionary intelligence if those more advanced will take the time and trouble to do it. Nothing takes the place of the personal touch in stimulating and guiding interest."

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS

From Philadelphia

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting, first Tuesday of each month at 10.30. Prayer-meeting on the third Tuesday at 11. Visitors welcome to both meetings.

PRAYER-MEETING, January 18. TOPICS: *The Women's Boards, China.*

PRAYER-MEETING was rich in missionaries. Rev. Robert F. Fitch spoke for the 800,000 people of Hangchow and of the enlarged plans for the enlistment of that great city for Christ. The main factors in these plans are united effort by the missionaries of many denominations and the co-operation of gifted Chinese preachers. Two of these preachers are now studying in America. Mrs. Fitch gave a woman's point of view of China's needs and awakening. She returns with her husband to do her part, bravely leaving her children here for their education. Dr. Annie Young made the experiences of a single day in the life of a missionary physician intensely real, pronouncing it "the biggest paying investment in the world." There was a salutation only, from Mrs. Kepler of Siangtan, China.

THE Board of Directors adopted Dr. E. E. Anderson of Soochow and Miss Faye Fisher, R.N., assigned to E. Persia. They accepted with sincere regret the resignations of Mrs. Tedford of India because of the death of her husband, Miss Klein, nurse in the Philippines, and Miss Thiede of India. Miss Thiede, after forty years of faithful, unique service at Wagah, will spend her remaining years in caring for others in her homeland, Germany. We record with sorrow the death of one of our youngest missionaries, Mrs. E. C. Howe, China, and of one of our oldest vice-presidents, Mrs. R. E. Coyle, Chambersburg, Pa.

RESULT of the relay study class at headquarters was fifty-four leaders for other classes.

THE Interdenominational Week of Prayer meetings, January 3–7 inclusive, will be held in Westminster Hall every afternoon from three to four.

FRIENDS of Persia have an opportunity to read a very vivid account of the inner history of the events of last winter and spring. The journal of one of our missionaries of Urumia, who went through it all, is now on sale for five cents a copy. Any one wishing to make an *extra special gift* to *Urumia* can send it to Miss Cattell, treasurer, who will forward it direct.

LEAFLETS FOR JANUARY: *Home Life in China, The Little Lad and the Lord's Supper*, each 2 cts.; *Hospitals in China, Through Fire to Christ, A Miracle of Healing*, each 3 cts.; *Schools and Colleges of China, Question Book*, each 5 cts.; *Historical Sketch*, 15 cts.

NEW LEAFLETS: *A Man Who Went to China to be Converted*, 1 ct., 10 cts. per dozen; *Born Again, A Long Step Ahead in China, A Story of Little Ming* (impersonation), each 2 cts., 20 cts. per dozen; *Schoolgirls and College Women in China* (Miss Liu), 3 cts., 30 cts. per dozen; *War Journal of a Missionary in Persia*, 5 cts.; *Presbyterian Missionaries at Work Among the Lepers of the World*, 5 cts.; *Personal Glimpses of Young Women's Missionaries*, 5 cts.; *Lights on the King's Highway* (a missionary exercise), 2 cts., 20 cts. per dozen; *Called to the Colors* (peace stories), 75 cts (postage 7 cts.); *Jack and Janet*, paper dolls with costumes of seven countries, 25 cts. a set.

From Chicago

Meetings at Room 48, 509 South Wabash Ave., every Friday at 10 A. M Visitors welcome.

A LEAFLET or booklet worthy of especial mention is issued by the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Boards for the use of Light Bearers and called by their name. It is a manual for leaders of the Children's Missionary Organization of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. There are suggestions on how to form bands, methods, preparation for meetings, library, offerings, entertainments, etc., and the manual closes with an appendix containing several sample programs, a list of helps, list of supplies for Little Light Bearers, list of missionary hymns, text-books for Juniors, and lastly, the desirable contents for a Christmas box. Altogether it is a light in the path for the leader.

THE free circulating library in Room 48 is intended for the use of auxiliaries, and books will be forwarded promptly. It has recently been enlarged by a gift of 145 choice volumes from the library of the late Mrs. Albert Keep, over thirty of which are distinctly missionary, including books by such authors as Speer, Zwemer, Brown, Martin, Eddy, Griffis, Mott and Ellinwood. The new library catalogue will be sent upon request.

THE later weeks of the fall brought to Friday morning meetings Dr. James W. McKean of Siam with his story of faith's reward in the Chieng Mai leper asylum; President R. A. Brown of Coyoacan College, Mexico; President H. W. Reherd of Westminster College, Utah; Mr. James F. Garvin of McCormick Seminary, son and namesake of Missionary Garvin of Chile; Miss Ellen E. Dresser of the Woman's Bible School, Nanking, China; Mrs. John Balcom Shaw, ninth president of this Board; Miss Mary Ferry of San Diego, grandniece of Mrs. Benjamin Douglass, fourth president of this Board, and Mr. Wm. Henry Grant with Mr. Sz-to (pronounced cito) Wai of Canton Christian College and its wonderful primary school. Mr. Sz-to is head of this kindergarten, which has become so well known through his own book.

THE new Westminster Guild *Bulletin* will be in your hands soon and will bring many new thoughts for the year.

ARE your study classes doing their best? If not, have you any responsibility for them?

THE CONFERENCE brought many visitors to our

Friday meeting. Among them Miss Hodge, president of the Philadelphia Board, also Miss Allis, Mrs. Webb, Miss Laughlin and Miss Davison. On the same day Dr. Shedd told a most moving story of his experiences in Urumia during the terrible days of the invasion.

CHINA LEAFLETS: *A Venerable Brother, The Little Lad and the Lord's Supper, Story of Little Ming, Story of Chang Sao Tze, The Ringing Bells, China's Only Hope,* each 2 cts.; *A Chinese Girl's Vow, Through Fire to Christ, Hainan's Daughters, Singing Child's Classmate,* each 3 cts.; *The Man Who Went to China to be Converted, The Testimony of a College Student, New Faces and Forces,* each 1 ct.; *The Christian Education of Chinese Women,* 5 cts.; *The Story of Miss Li,* 10 cts.

OTHER LEAFLETS: *Presbyterian Missionaries at Work Among the Lepers of the World,* by W. M. Danner, Secretary of the U. S. A. Mission to Lepers, 5 cents; *Kimsie,* an impersonation (Korea), 2 cts.

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From New York

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A. M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at same hour.

AT the November meeting Dr. Shedd, "the hero of Urumia," was welcomed by the people standing. His story of the wreck of the Christian community, 25,000 to 30,000, lacking every necessity of life, contending with cold and disease, was appalling. Missionaries are attempting the seemingly impossible in trying to reinstate them. Their devotion and the generosity of Christians here has gained a new position for Christianity in that Moslem land. Rev. J. H. McLean of Santiago, Chile, said: "Of all the neglected classes of this neglected continent, the women are most neglected." Mr. Inman described the scope of the Panama Conference. Mrs. Webb told of the mission stations in Latin America and Rev. Mr. Schell of the present forces in Mexico. Mrs. J. G. Kerr made a strong appeal for the hospital for the insane at Shanghai.

THE WOMAN'S Synodical Society of New England reported at its fall meeting progress in various departments: Boston has now an auxiliary in every church, Providence has two new societies and Newburyport three, making forty-seven societies in the fifty-two churches. There has been a gain also in membership in every department of the Young People's work. Plans for the future were formulated and the prospect is bright for further successes.

MISS FLORENCE G. TYLER, recently appointed by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions to the office of field secretary for Young People's Work, spent the month of October in the Presbytery of Brooklyn, where a number of conferences on all phases of Young People's Work were held. She is with Jersey City Presbytery during November and plans to go to Otsego Presbytery for portions of December and January. Miss Tyler is ready to go into any presbytery where she is needed, and stay as long as is deemed necessary to reach all branches of Young People's Work, organize new societies, talk to individual societies or rallies of young people, assist with plans for mission study and, when time permits, lead a class herself. In short, she will use every possible means of arousing the interest and activity of the young people in the work of foreign missions. For further information write to Mrs. Woodford D. Anderson, Room 818, 156 Fifth Ave.

NEW societies of Light Bearers have been formed in Stamford, Bridgeport and New Haven, Conn.; also Little Light Bearers in Stamford. "Daniel's Band Light Bearers" has been organized in Brooklyn and a Junior C. E. in Lancaster, N. Y.

The Light Bearers' pins are now ready and may be obtained from headquarters. They are small silver torches with blue letters, L. B., and cost ten cents each.

Masoud, the Bedouin, a book of short stories by Mrs. Carhart, has been published recently by the Missionary Education Movement. Though the sixteen stories are presented as fiction the incidents portrayed have actually occurred in various parts of Syria, where the author has lived. The sketches are vivid and have a truly Oriental flavor. The illustrations and the binding help to make it a most attractive gift book. All proceeds from its sale go to the cause of missions. The price is one dollar, postage extra, if sent by mail. It may be had at Room 818.

LEAFLETS ON CHINA: *Through Fire to Christ, A Chinese Girl's Vow, Singing Child's Classmate* (by Grace Newton), each 3 cts.; *A Chinese Helen Keller, A Venerable Brother, The Little Lad and the Lord's Supper, Story of Little Ming, The Chinese Woman versus the American Woman,* each 2 cts.

NEW LEAFLETS: *Presbyterian Missionaries at Work Among the Lepers of the World,* 5 cts.; *Schoolgirls and College Women in China,* by Miss Fung Hin Liu, 3 cts.; *Born Again,* by Mrs. J. L. Whiting, Peking, China, 2 cts.

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From St. Louis

Meetings first and third Tuesdays at 10.30 A. M. Visitors welcome. Orders for missionary literature promptly attended to. Send to Room 707, 816 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

IT is easy enough to send the Christmas greeting into all the world, over its heights, into its depths, it was for that the angels set it to music; but how, oh! how, in the wake of the Christmas song, shall we send Happy New Year to all? Men, our brothers, are falling by the thousand; heart-broken women, our sisters, are praying for death; children are starving; wrongs more horrible than ever before known in the world are wrought by man upon his fellow man; earth groans. Hope has not even "one string" to play upon; we can only look up through the mists of God's providence and cry, "How long, O Lord, how long?"

ONE precious gleam in the midnight is the fact that our dear missionaries, on all the anxious days, have been kept safe. Danger has been perilously near to some, but so far they have been kept "under the shadow." God keep them there!

OUR Miss Schoebel arrived safely from Urumia. When we hear her tell of that journey, we wonder how it could be. Very earnest, very tender and very full of faith are our prayers for all missionaries everywhere in these days of sore trial.

AT our November monthly meeting we welcomed our Mrs. Magill after her long absence. While leading our devotional service she referred to her serious illness, only to tell us how she had realized as never before the preciousness of the fellowship of

God's servants, and how she had felt assured of our prayers. Her voice grew unsteady as she referred to the dear one who so recently went home, "we do not know why one is taken and another is left, but she lived so near to God that it seems almost natural she should be in His presence." Truly to us who knew and loved tenderly our Mrs. Beck, heaven is nearer and dearer because she is there. She is among our "treasures" there.

A LONG, good letter was from Miss Julia Hodge, our missionary at Manila. It is full of the joy of the blessing which went everywhere with the Speer party and abundantly there in the Philippines. "These have been seasons of blessing," she writes. "We are in the midst of meetings and conferences which none of us will ever forget. Each morning this week from eight to nine missionaries, native pastors, students, visitors from other missions and Christian friends have met to join in worship and to listen to Mr. Speer's wonderful messages." Other letters were from Dr. McArthur, Kolhapur, India, and Dr. Fleming, Ichowfu, China. From Dr. McArthur's letter we quote: "During the past month the people have been going to Tamli, a temple about a mile and a half south of our bungalow, with their offerings, either for the rain received or to ask for more rain. They take goats and chickens as sacrifices and grain, cloth, eggs, anything they have, to the gods, or priests. This is compulsory, not a free-will offering. Each village under the priests of this special goddess must give a certain amount to the priests for their upkeep." She writes, too, of the disastrous work of the plague and how for the first time in her experience high caste people are willing to be inoculated.

MESSAGES have been coming from all parts of our territory telling of most satisfactory synodical meetings.

USING the excellent advertising matter furnished through the presbyterial secretaries of literature in our territory, the local secretaries will canvass for the *Three Great Powers* and the *Yearbook of Prayer for Foreign Missions, 1916*. A Chinese convert, when asked by a missionary what remedy he found most effective in curing his fellow countrymen of the opium habit, idolatry, fear of persecution and other sins, replied laconically: "Knee medicine." Is there any other potent remedy for doubts and discouragements than that found through earnest, persevering prayer? "Knee medicine" is a powerful tonic. We were questioning if the secretaries of literature did not need this *wonderful medicine* to enable them to meet the indifferent of all ages in the churches, when canvassing for the magazines.

NEW LEAFLETS: *Studies in Life, Mexico*, by Mrs. Wm. Wallace, 2 cts.; *Kimsie*, Korea, by Anna Agnew Roberts, 2 cts.

From San Francisco

920 Sacramento St. Meetings first Monday of each month at 10.30 and 1.30. Executive session third Monday. Prayer service first and third Mondays from 12 to 12.30.

BLESSINGS on the Exposition for it brings many friends whom we wish to meet Dr. Robert E. Speer led the way from headquarters on his journey to the Orient. During his brief visit he addressed multitudes of people most eloquently upon the How and the Why of Foreign Missions.

NEXT Rev. Dr. A. W. Halsey made the journey from the eastern to the western edge of our continent; the wife of a Secretary does not usually accompany him, but Mrs. Halsey really came, and her presence was an inspiration. One hundred and fifty people, ministers and their wives and officers sat with them at a banquet given in their honor by the members of Calvary Church, and the audience listened intently to Dr. Halsey's after-dinner address, so educational to such an audience, upon the one theme.

MRS. JOHN H. FINLEY, chairman of our Committee on WOMAN'S WORK, sent a message by telephone to meet her at 920. She, with her husband, were stationed within the gates of the Exposition; Dr. Finley, an ex-college president, and now Commissioner of Education over all of New York State, finds much to interest him. It was very pleasant to meet Mrs. Finley just now, as the committee is discussing questions of special interest for the magazine.

ANOTHER guest for whom a reception and luncheon was tendered by the Occidental Board, Lady Aberdeen, president of the International Congress of Women, and her associates who had official titles in connection with the National Council of Women, attracted a large company of women—one hundred and fifty guests were seated at the luncheon tables.

WE were proud of our Chinese girls as they marched to the platform wearing white suits, Chinese in style, and Mrs. Blount conducted the exercises. Lady Aberdeen and others were enthusiastic over our work. Three of our girls have gone east to study in seminaries. The purpose, as expressed by Miss Wu, "to deepen their religious life." Ida Lee and Minnie Chau are at Northfield Seminary; May Chou at Aurora, Ill., in a Methodist school; Kum Mooie is in Park Seminary at Kansas City, a Presbyterian school. Minnie and May were born in the Home, their helpless mothers had no other refuge, just for a short stay.

LADY ABERDEEN was in a merry mood when she told of her own wedding tour taken to the north of Africa. One of the events was that of the abandoning of four little black boys to the care of the bride and bridegroom by parents desiring to shift responsibility. In order that the four boys might be legally placed in a proper institution Lord and Lady Aberdeen were obliged first legally to adopt them. So in after years, said Lady Aberdeen, "we told our children that they had four little black brothers."

A RECEPTION to twenty-five outgoing missionaries, given by the Occidental Board, followed soon after. Japanese cakes and tea in Chinese fashion were served. The addresses, given by nearly all of the guests, were of unusual interest. Rev. E. H. Hall, our western secretary of the Foreign Board, conducted the exercises.

From Portland, Oregon

Executive meeting at 10 A. M. on first Tuesday each month, and popular meeting on third Tuesday at 2.30 P. M. in First Church. Literature obtained from Miss Abby S. Lamberson, 454 Alder St., Portland.

Our Board invites missionaries about to pass through our territory, to send due notice to Mrs. F. I. Fuller, 503 Spring Street, Portland.

FIRST, our North Pacific Board extends New Year's greetings to each and every society which is a part of it, and to every one of its dear missionaries. May this be a year of spiritual growth for all of us, and of blessing and progress in our work of helping to establish Christ's kingdom throughout the world! We suggest that our January meetings everywhere be full of prayers that during this year

1916 God's Spirit may be made so manifest over the entire earth that His peace and righteousness shall crowd out war and turmoil, and the way be opened for His will to be done and His kingdom to come.

OUR popular monthly meeting of November was merged into the annual interdenominational prayer-meeting held at our headquarters, and Mrs. Milligan presided. Our hearts burned within us as fervent words from prominent women of four denominations led to intense prayer by many.

WORD has come to us from Miss Crawford of Lapwai, Idaho, that her aunt, Miss Kate McBeth, has passed from earth. Feeble for some time, a stroke of paralysis called her Home on October twenty-ninth. Her sister, "Sue," came among the Nez Perce Indians in 1873 under our Foreign Board, Miss Kate came in the fall of 1879. They were under this Board until 1893, when the North Pacific Mission was transferred to our Home Board. In that same year Miss Sue died, after twenty years of devoted service, and now Miss Kate has joined her after thirty-six years of faithful service. Their work was training Indian evangelists; eight churches have been organized, and nine Indian ministers and several helpers testify in part to their successful work. Three Indian ministers conducted the funeral services of Miss Kate, and lovingly her remains were taken to Kamiah and laid beside her sister Sue, just back of the little church they loved so well. Their work widens with the years in its far-reaching influence.

ALL will be interested to hear that our dear Miss Julia Hatch is to return to the work in Siam, which poor health obliged her to leave some years ago, and afterwards her aged mother required her care. That mother, always praying and working for missions, has entered into the rest that remaineth, and now Miss Hatch, in splendid health, has offered herself anew and been gladly accepted. We rejoice with her that this, her loved work, opens up to her. She has been tried and proved true.

WE were misinformed when we reported the return of Mrs. Allen and children of Urumia to this country. Only Wallace came with Dr. Shedd, and he has entered Dubuque Seminary to prepare for the ministry.

LEAFLETS FOR JANUARY: *Twenty-five Years of Medical Work in China, A Chinese Helen Keller,* each 2 cts.; *Redemption of Chinese Women, Singing Child's Classmate,* each 3 cts.; *A Man Who Went to China to be Converted,* 1 ct.; *Outline Map of the World,* for use with *The King's Highway,* 15 cts., postage 2 cts.

NEW: *A Book of Peace Stories,* use it for Christmas, 75 cts., postage 7 cts.; *The Iron Cross,* 10 cts., postage 2 cts.

RECEIPTS TO NOVEMBER 15, 1915

By totals from Presbyterial Societies

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church

CARLISLE,	$579.09	UNION,	$1.00
CHATTANOOGA,	6.91	WASHINGTON, PA.,	2.08
CLEVELAND,	1,065.29	WESTMINSTER,	576.50
COLUMBIA,	7.25	WOOSTER,	235.35
COLUMBUS,	20.00	Alabama Syn. Soc.,	5.00
ERIE,	646.58	Baltimore Syn. Soc.,	5.80
FRENCH BROAD,	39.50	Ohio Syn. Soc.,	54.27
MAHONING,	10.00	Mississippi Syn. Soc.,	30.00
NEW HOPE,	23.60	Miscellaneous,	9,444.06
OXFORD,	21.05		

Receipts from October 15th to November 15th,		
Regular,	$12,738.15	
New China Fund,	35.18	$12,773.33
Total receipts since March 15th,		
Regular,	$72,965.52	
New China Fund,	4,166.19	77,131.71
Special Gifts to Missionaries,		225.00
Persia Relief		262.75

(Miss) SARAH W. CATTELL, *Treas.*,
501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest

BISMARCK,	$5.75	GRAND RAPIDS,	$56.00
BUTTE,	38.60	HASTINGS,	64.50
CAIRO,	43.00	HELENA,	11.00
CHEYENNE,	55.00	KALAMAZOO,	30.50
CHICAGO,	1,523.89	LAKE SUPERIOR,	60.00
CORNING,	3.00	LANSING,	133.00
DETROIT,	1,775.75	MANKATO,	98.00
DULUTH,	60.00	MONROE,	111.87
FLINT,	38.00	NEBRASKA CITY,	145.00
FORT WAYNE,	100.00	OTTAWA,	5.00
GALENA,	10.00	PETOSKEY,	21.00
SAGINAW,	$96.20	Miscellaneous,	$47.40
SIOUX CITY,	126.00	Colorado Syn. Soc.,	10.00
SIOUX FALLS,	27.00	Iowa Syn. Soc.,	10.00
WINNEBAGO,	25.00	Montana Syn. Soc.,	10.00
YELLOWSTONE,	14.00		

Total for month,	$4,754.16
Total from March 15th,	48,376.27
Sale First National Bank stock,	22,089.06

Mrs. THOS. E. D. BRADLEY, *Treas.*,
Room 48, 509 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago.

Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church

ALBANY,	$543.50	MORRIS & ORANGE,	$650.00
BINGHAMTON,	108.85	NEW YORK,	4,353.75
BOSTON,	131.00	NORTH RIVER,	159.45
BROOKLYN,	355.00	OTSEGO,	41.00
BUFFALO,	117.00	ROCHESTER,	292.87
CAYUGA,	73.50	ST. LAWRENCE,	151.20
CHAMPLAIN,	62.00	SYRACUSE,	457.00
EBENEZER,	111.00	TRANSYLVANIA,	39.50
GENEVA,	161.50	UTICA,	582.00
HUDSON,	72.00	WESTCHESTER,	190.50
JERSEY CITY,	47.00	Legacies,	16,168.11
LONG ISLAND,	67.50	Interest,	503.00
LOUISVILLE,	170.00	Miscellaneous,	136.83

Receipts from October 15th to November 15th,		
Regular,	$25,694.06	
	51.00	$25,745.06
Total since March 15th,		
Regular,	$62,762.83	
New China Fund,	453.35	
Persia Relief Fund,	40.00	
War Emergency Fund,	151.00	
No Retreat Fund,	325.00	$63,732.18

(Mrs. Joshua A.) MARY B. HATFIELD, *Treas.*,
Room 818, 156 Fifth Ave., New York.

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest

AMARILLO,	$18.85	TOPEKA,	$20.00
ARDMORE,	34.00	Missouri Synodical,	50.00
CHOCTAW,	1.00	Texas Synodical,	10.00
HIGHLAND,	62.67	Miscellaneous,	43.47

Total for month,	$239.99
Total to date,	13,337.54
China Campaign Fund for month,	22.00
China Campaign Fund for year to date,	1,120.29

MRS. WM. BURG, *Treas.*

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